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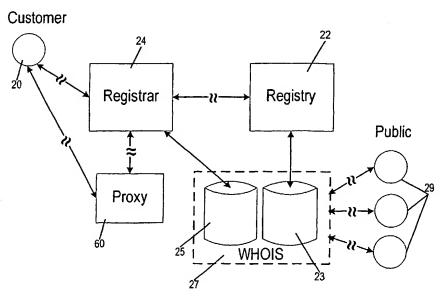
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(57) Abstract: A system and method of proxy (60) domain name registration permits a would-be domain name registrant anonymity. A registrar (24) affords customers (20) the opportunity to use the proxy registration. If the customer seeking registration of a domain name requests, the registrar obtains contact information needed for registration from a proxy entity established for this purpose. The registrar completes the registration of the domain name with the appropriate registry (22) (i.e. ".com, .net" etc.). The contact information published in WHOIS (27) is that of proxy entity. Contractually the customer is afforded control over the domain name. Emails intended for the customer are received by the proxy entity who may filter them if the customer requests. Emails sent by the customer are sent to the proxy entity who in turn send them to the indicated addressee.